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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Re:

Application of Ikuo SAKAGUCHI

CARD VERIFICATION SYSTEM AND CARD VERIFICATION METHOD

Assignee: NEC CORPORATION

Our Ref. Q65782

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 25 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 1 sheet of drawings, the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449 and 12 references.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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Recordation of Assignment					\$40.00
TOTAL FEE					\$750.00

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$710.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from August 10, 2000 based on Japanese Application No. 2000-242439. The priority document is enclosed herewith.

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